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CRACK COCAINE DEALER SENTENCED

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that DERRICK D. HATFIELD, 32, Terre Haute, Indiana, was sentenced to 10 years imprisonment today by U.S. District Judge Larry J. McKinney following his guilty plea to five counts of distribution of cocaine base. This case was the result of a two month investigation by the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Vigo County Drug Task Force.

HATFIELD sold crack cocaine to a confidential informant on five occasions from August 15, 2002 through October 1, 2002.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Bradley A. Blackington, who prosecutd

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the case for the government, Judge McKinney also imposed five years supervised release following HATFIELD's release from imprisonment. During the period of supervised release, HATFIELD must get drug treatment.

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